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Regular Session, 2012

SENATE BILL NO. 610

BY SENATOR RISER

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TAX/INCOME/PERSONAL. Provides relative to the uniformity of distribution dates for donations to donees. (6/30/12)

AN ACT

2	To amend and reenact R.S. 47:120.37(A), (C), and (D), relative to the Department of
3	Revenue; to provide for distribution dates for donations from individual state income
4	tax returns to donees; and to provide for related matters.
5	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
6	Section 1. R.S. 47:120.37(A), (C), and (D) are hereby amended and reenacted to
7	read as follows:
8	§120.37. Refund designation on tax form
9	A. Notwithstanding any provision set forth in R.S. 47:120.3 through
10	120.101 or in any other provisions provision of this Part law to the contrary, the
11	designation to donate all or any portion of the total amount of tax refund shall be
12	made at the time of the filing of the current year tax return and shall be made on the
13	income tax return form as prescribed by the secretary of the Department of Revenue
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15	C. Notwithstanding any provision set forth in R.S. 47:120.3 through
16	120.101 or in any other provisions provision of this Part law to the contrary, upon
17	receipt of any taxpayer's current year income tax return upon which the designation

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of a donation has been made, the secretary shall enter in a central record the amount of the donation and the name of the donor. Notwithstanding any provision set forth in R.S. 47:120.3 through 120.101 or in any other provision of law to the contrary, The the amount of the donations received by the secretary, less twenty percent credited to the department's expenses to defray administrative and printing expenses, shall be disbursed to the designated donee or as provided in the Act establishing such donation before March first of the year following the year in which the tax return was filed. Following the initial disbursement of monies, the secretary shall quarterly disburse monies to the designated donees. The provisions of this Subsection shall supercede any other provision of law in Title 47 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 to the contrary.

D. The provisions of this Subpart are Section shall be applicable to all existing and future refund donations, including but not limited to donations as provided by Subparts G, H, and I of this Part and Part VI of for in Chapter 4 1 of Title 46 47 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 and shall supercede any provision of law to the contrary in such Title.

Section 2. This Act shall become effective on June 30, 2012; if vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective on June 30, 2012, or on the day following such approval by the legislature, whichever is later.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Danielle Doiron.

DIGEST

Riser (SB 610)

<u>Present law</u> provides for donations to various non-profit organizations through a check-off box on individual state income tax returns. Further provides for a general distribution date of before March 1 of the year following the year in which the tax return was filed with the Dept. of Revenue for the Dept. of Revenue to distribute those donations to the donees.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides for uniformity within the statutes and further requires the Dept. of Revenue to distribute such donations to the donees before March 1 of the year following the year of the filed tax return, and then following that initial disbursement, to disburse the money quarterly.

Effective June 30, 2012.

(Amends R.S. 47:120.37(A), (C), and (D))

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Coding: Words which are struck through are deletions from existing law; words in **boldface type and underscored** are additions.

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

<u>Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs to the original bill.</u>

1. Requires the Department of Revenue to disburse money to the designated donees quarterly following the initial disbursement.